

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant appreciates the indication that claims 8, 17 and 19 and that they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 5 has been amended to include claim 8, so that claim 5 is claim 8 in independent form. All other claims in the application except claims 17 and 19 are dependent upon claim 5 as amended, whereby as claim 5 is now in allowable form, those other claims should be allowed as well.

Claim 17 was originally dependent upon claim 5. Claim 17 has been rewritten in independent form without the additional element of claim 8 which was not required for the allowability of claim 17.

Claim 19 has been rewritten in independent form including therein original claim 5 but without the additional element of claim 8 which was not required for the allowability of claim 19, and also including the element of claim 18 on which claim 19 had been dependent.

Claims 5-7, 9-16, 18 and 20-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103. In view of the amendments to the claims so that all are or are dependent upon claims indicated as allowable, this rejection has been rendered moot.

In view of the amendments to the application and the foregoing remarks, allowance of remaining claims 5-7, 9-17 and 19-22 is requested.

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